POTTER AGAIN PRESIDENT.

THE LEAGUE ASSEMBLY GIVES HIM A LARGE MAJORITY IN ST. LOUIS.

REPORTS OF THE PRESIDENT AND OTHER OF-FICERS SHOW A PAVORABLE CONDITION OF THE GREAT CICLING ORGANIZATION-

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION. St. Louis, Feb. 10.-The business session of the National Assembly of the League of American Wheelmen was called to order to-day at 10:45 a. m. by President Potter. The chief result of its meeting was the re-election of Isanc B. Potter as president and the election of other officers, and the consideration of several amendments to the constitution, that establishing a junior membershi being adopted, and the proposal to admit profes-sionals to membership being defeated. The reports of President Potter and the other

officers of the League had previously been prepared and printed, as well as the reports of the various standing committees, and were passed

apon without reading.

The president's report dwelt at length upon the procress of the good-roads movement in the League. He then called attention to the fact that ten States have passed laws requiring bleyeles to be carried as bagsage without extra charge, and bills are pending in the Legislatures of Kentucky, Virginia and Maryland for the same purpose. This colley on the Long Island Railroad alone increased the traffic from 40,000 cycling passengers in 1896 to 100,000 in 1897. He recommended that the publishing of an executive bulletin of news and notes relating to the general work of the League and its separate divisions be continued. He also rec-ommended the continuance of the loan fund, which ed an excellent purpose within the last year.

During the last year 64.793 new members hav joined the Lengue and 48,017 of the old members have renewed. But, as in former years, the percentage of renewals is by no means satisfactory. In closing, President Potter dwelt briefly on the dissatisfaction that was expressed in Southern California, owing to the failure of the passage of an amendment at the last assembly to sanction Sunday racing. He maintained that the deliberate judgment of the National Assembly must at all

LARGE GROWTH OF MEMBERSHIP.

Secretary Abbot Bassett in his report said the 72,000 to 102,000, and the finances had shown healthy condition. The report of the Auditing Committee showed that the League has in its treasury over \$15,000. The principal heavy receipts for the last year were: Applications, \$65,887; re-newals, \$35,012; subscriptions, \$25,247. The heavy expenditures were: Distribution among divisions,

expenditures were: Distribution among division, 591,504; "Bulletin" account, \$59,230.

The report of Albert Mott, chairman of the Racing Board, showed that during the year the receipts by the Racing Board amounted to \$9,426; the expenditures, \$7,594, leaving a balance on hand During the year 2,912 race meets were held, where 17,316 races had been given, participated in by 8,000 racing men, who have won and received racing and pacemaking prices to the value of

The control by the L. A. W. without direct pecuniary profit, invites public confidence to an extent that could not be accomplished in any other

In the report of Otto Doerner, chairman of In the report of Otto Doerner, chairman of the Committee of Improvement of Highways, he stated that a vast amount of personal effort had been expended upon the good roads work in most of the States, and many active minds had devoted them-selves enthusiastically and persistently to the

The report of the Committee on Transportation stated that with the exception of Pennsylvania, Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, West Virginia, Indiana. Southern Illinois and Florida, the railroads carry wheels by force of law, while these States are included by voluntary concession. The key to the Eastern situation is now in the State of Indiana. If its Legislature should pass a Bicycle Baggage law the scheme of transportation between Chicago and St. Louis and New-England would

The reports of the membership committees sub-mitted by Chairman George L. Cook showed that out of one hundred thousand applicants and members, just forty-nine had complaints.

OFFICERS ELECTED.

The next business before the assembly was the election of officers. Vice-President Morrison took the chair and Mr. Van Valkenburg, of Wisconsin, placed in nomination Isaac B. Potter, of New York. He eulogized President Potter as the father

Potter had subsided, Wallace Sherwood, of Ind ana; Chief Consul Kerriker, of New-Jersey, and Chief Consul Jenkins, of New-York, seconded the behalf of the lilinois delegation, placed in nomination George D. Gideon, of Pennsylvania, ex-chair man of the National Racing Board, whom he designated as the Moses of the League. This created almost as much enthusiasm as that shown for Mr

Before the result of the ballet was known the other officers to be elected were nominated and chosen. Thomas J. Keenan, of Pittsburg, was unanimously elected first vice-president; E. N. Hines, chief consul of the Michigan division, second vice-president, and J. C. Tattersall, of New-Jersey.

treasurer.
While waiting to receive the report of the tellers, invitations were received on behalf of Philadelphia and Providence, R. I., for the National assembly to hold its next convention in 1899 in one or the other of those cities. Providence was chosen by a large majority.

MR. POTTER'S LARGE MAJORITY.

The vote for president was as follows: Total number of ballots cast, 325, of which 212 were for Potter, 107 for Gideon and the remainder scatter-ing. As only 154 was necessary for a choice, Mr. Ing. As only 194 was necessary for a choice, Mr. Potter had more than enough for his election.

The enthusiasm that was shown over the re-election of Mr. Potter lasted for several minutes, at the conclusion of which Mr. Gideon moved that his opponent's selection be made unanimous. The motion was carried with a rush and Mr. Potter made a short speech, thanking the delegates for the honor.

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President Potter presided at the afternoon session, which was held in Massonic Hall. An auditing teommittee for the ensuing year, consisting of George E. Blackman, of New-York, J. Fred Adams, of Massachusetts, and George W. Greenburg, of Chicago, was elected. On behalf of the Mayor of Indianapolis, where the meet of 1888 will be held, Merrill Moores, a delegate to the convention, presented to Chairman Potter for the wheelmen an immense key and the liberty of the city. A motion by Chief Consul Sams, of Maryland to pay to Chairman Mott, of the National Racing Board the balance of funds in the treasury of the Board, some M.40, as compensation for his work during the last year, was unanimously adopted. Through Chairman Mott the Racing Board reported a long list of riders who had been transferred to the professional class for the infraction of rules other than that of competing for money. It was recommended that they be restored to their former standing in the amateur class. This recommendation was adopted, with the single exception of J. B. Corser, of Alientown, Fenn. All the riders on the Pacific Coast were reinstated.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.

The consideration of amendments to the constition and by-laws of the league was then begun. tution and by-laws of the league was then begun. The first was an amendment to Article 2. Section 1, of the Constitution. Mr. Cook, of Rhode Island, and Mr. Lawson, of Kentucky, moved to strike out the word "amateur." This would have the effect of admitting to membership in the league members of the professional class, which had hitherto been entirely excluded. The amendment failed of adoption by your of 18 years to 18 pages. tion by a vote of 182 ayes to 143 noes.

The second amendment proposed to Article 3,

Section 1, of the constitution failed to be even considered, for it was discovered that it had not been published as required. considered, for it was discovered that it had not been published as required.

The next amendment was adopted after some debate and a few changes had been made in the wording. In brief, it provided that the Board of Officers of any State division shall have the power to establish a junior membership of the League of American Wheelmen to be subject to the control and management of the Board of Officers of the State division in which the junior member resides. Such junior membership shall consist any person between the ages of twelve and eighteen years, who must be a member of the family or ward of a regular member of the League of American Wheelmen at the time of the presentation of the application for membership as a junior member of the League. The remainder of this amendment perialned to the details of the new departure. The convention then adjourned until 9 a.m. to-morrow.

ATLANTIC YACHT CLUB ELECTION.

The annual meeting of the Atlantic Yacht Club will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria on Monday night, at which time it is expected Frederick T. Adams, of F. T. Adams & Co., No. 10 Wall-st., will be elected commodore, succeeding George J. Gould. who has declined renomination for the office, but who has dealised renomination for the office, but will become a member of the Board of Trustees. Beliefectillef scratch, fourth. Time, 3:00-45. Lourn fainted just before he reached the finish and sild across the line.

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Central Trust Company Building, the block in which he lived and the Church of the Heavenly better have been received in the last three or four weeks. The new clubbouse on Morrou's Politic Coney Island, the landsomest house belonging to any yacht club on the Atlantile Coast, is mearly for occupancy, but the formal opening will ready for occupancy, but the formal opening will ready for occupancy, but the formal opening will be until Decoration Day, May 22.

IN THE CYCLING WORLD.

BICTCLE DAY AN ASSURED SUCCESS.

THE THEATRES MAY TAKE A HAND IN THE CELE-BRATION-POTTER'S FRIENDS SEND CON-GRATULATIONS-FOREIGN RIDERS COM-

INCENOTES AND COMMENTS.

The arrangements for the proper celebration of Sicycle Day, on February 22, are going on finely, and it looks as if the plan for the observance of Washington's Birthday by the wheelmen of this district will prove to be a decided success. Tribune has been commended on all sides for the ourse it has taken, and the suggestion has been adopted in several other cities, where February 22 vill be formally observed as Bicycle Day. Some of the uptown dealers have entered into the project with considerable enthusiasm, and several of them promise their friends and patrons agreeable surrises when they "call around" on that date. One promise their friends and prices when they "call around" on that date. One dealer proposes to arrange a sort of continuous performance, which may last right through the day. Over in Brooklyn the interest is just as keen, and the clubs and riders generally promise to lend their assistance to make opening day so successful that nothing further will be heard of a National cycle show. The dealers say that they can show their new models to better advantage at their own places of business, and they say that they are convinced that the riding public will take more kindly to bicycle Day when it has been tried than they ever did to a cycle show. Some of the theatrical managers are beginning to realize that the wheelmen will own the town on February 22, and some of the more energetic of them are already discussing what they might do to help the cause along. The chances are that several of the managers may decorate their places on the date, and that there will be a "bicycle night" at some of the principal theatres.

The renders of this column will not be surprised at the news flashed over the wires from St. Louis that Isaac B. Potter, of this city, was re-elected president of the League of American Wheelmen. Potter's re-election was practically assured before the delegates started for St. Louis. Sterling Elliott spent much time and money in his attempt to stir up opposition to the New-York man, but he failed to accomplish his defeat. Potter is leader in th good roads movement in this country, and his administration has been excellent in other respects It was a hard thing to beat a man with his record. It was a hard thing to beat a man with his record. The part played by George D. Gideon, of Pennsylvania, was a disagreeaple surprise to his friends. Gideon never had any chance, and it is surprising that he allowed Elliott to make a catspaw of him. Gideon showed a woful lack of ability in not keeping out of the Potter avaianche, which has possibly swept him and Elliott into oblivion. He will know better next time, but his next time may not come again in the League of American Wheelmen. All of Potter's opponents could muster only 107 votes, which was a poor showing indeed.

W. J. Morgan, of the National Cycledrome, this city, received a dispatch from T. W. Eck, who is now in Paris, stating that Eck had signed several well-known riders for this country. prominent is Jaap Eden, the Dutch rider. Among prominent is Jaap Eden, the Dutch rider. Among the other riders who will come are Henry Cissac, a middle distance rider of France, and Pontecchi, who has been the Italian champion for the last four years, and has defeated most of the European riders. Pontecchi once was an editor. It is likely that the riders will be accompanied to this country by M. Suberbie, president of the Union Velocipede Française, a wealthy patron of French cycling.

It was said yesterday that John Jacob Astor and a party of friends would sail on his yacht Nourma-hal for Honduras on Monday. The yacht is an-chored at Twenty-third-st., South Brooklyn. An expert repair man was sent to the yacht yesterday to arrange for the storing of several bleycles, which will be taken on the cruise. How wheeling is in Honduras is a matter for conjecture.

The National Cycle Exhibition Company has been incorporated in New-Jersey. The incorpo-rators are Frank W. Sanger and Walter C. Judson, of this city, and Alfred Luttman, of New-Jersey. It is said that the company will give exhibitions at the Madison Square Garden of carriages, blcycles, blcycles undries and accessories, and hold competitions for prizes and awards.

Dr. Nansen, the Arctic explorer, when he left this country recently, took with him to Christiania two American bloycles, a chainless wheel and a tandem, for the use of himself and his wife.

Joseph Vernier will train for middle distance paced racing. He will leave for Belleair, Fla., tomorrow. He has had ten big pacing machines There will be a "wheelmen's night" at the Broad-

way Theatre on March 24. Several prominent cyclists are interested in making the evening an enjoyable one. The theatre will be decorated, and several bleycle "gags" will be invented for the

Edwards, of the Century Wheelmen, has gone Washington, where he continues to ride his one hundred miles every day

YALE WINS AT BASKET-BALL.

DEFEATS THE TEAM OF THE KNICKER ATHLETIC CLUB.

At the Knickerbocker A. C. gymnasium last evening the Yale University basket-ball team defeated the Knickerbocker A. C. five by a score of 27 to 7. This was Yale's first appearance in New-York this season. The Knickerbocker five played a fast game, but Yale excelled in passing and team work. Their playing was much applauded.
Sharpe, the crack centre of Yale, in the latter

part of the game stood in the centre of the floor and won hearty cheers by throwing the ball into the basket. In the first half Yale scored four points within two minutes, and kept up their good work, scoring nine points more before Kenney scored the first point for the local team. The half ended with the score 13 to 2 in favor of the visitors. The Knickerbocker players made two fouls in that half,

but Yale could score only on one of them.

In the second half Yale kept right on scoring. but after awhile, when Yale had piled up six points, the local team scored two, and a Yale man made a foul, on which the Knickerbecker team scored a point. The New-York five fouled the visitors four them, and added four more points to their credit. At the end of the half the Knickerbocker boys scored two more points, making the score 27 to 7.

The feature of the game was the playing of Sharpe, Beard and Peck for the visitors, while for the home team Ficke and Keown seemed to do all the playing. The line-up was:

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The French Bulldog Club will hold an exhibition This club had a disagreement with the Westminster Kennel Club, and as a result has de westminister Kenner Cub, and as a result has de-cided to have a bench show of its own. The exhi-bition will be in the sun parlor, and admission will be by invitation only. The committee consists of Walter W. Watrous, Richard h. Hunt and John R. Buchan. Several valuable cups are offered as prizes.

MILITARY LEAGUE ALLIED TO THE A. A. U. Colonel Charles Luscomb, president of the Milleary Athletic League, which is composed of more than twenty military organizations of this State

Athletic Union, that the articles of alliance be-Athletic Union, that the articles of all the better the two organizations have been ratified by a mail vote. Under the articles of alliance the Military League, which is preparing for a champion-ship athletic and cycle meet and a military carnival in Madison Square Garden next month, gains several important points.

TROTTERS SOLD AT LEXINGTON, KY. Lexington, Ky., Feb. 10.-This was another good day for selling trotters in Kentucky, ninety-six head being disposed of by Woodard & Shanklin, at head being disposed of by Woodard & Shanklin, at suction, for a total of \$12,860. Dorsey, by Egotist, purchased by Lewis & Albaugh, of Circleville, Ohio, for \$1,976, was the highest priced horse. Best sales: Br. f., 6, by William L., dam Widow's Mite, by Wave-iand Chief; T. W. Price, Lexington, \$430. Dorsey, b. m. 5, by Egotist, dam by Princeper, J. W. Lewis, Urbana, Ohio, \$1,975. Young Jim, b. s., 24, by George Wilkes, dam by Lear's Sir William; Frank Shrop-shire, Leesburg, Ky., \$775.

THE CANADIAN WINS AT SKATING. There was a large attendance at the Clermont Avenue Rink, in Brooklyn, last night to witness perts. J. K McCulloch, the Canadian champion, won in the one-mile handleap race by 15 yards, starting from scratch; Oscar Lumm (50 yards) was second; H. J. McDonald (I5 yards), third, and G. Bolleteuillet scratch), fourth. Time, \$59.44. Lumm fainted just before he reached the finish and slid across the line.

AMATEUR BILLIARD TOURNAMENTS.

POGGENBERG, OF THE LIEDERKRANZ CLUB, DE-FEATS BARNARD, OF THE MON-

The game in the amateur billiard tournament at Maurice Daly's last night was between Ferdinand Poggenberg, of the Liederkranz Club, and William Barnard, of the Montauk Club, of Brooklyn. The contest was long drawn out, as safety play was indulged in to a discouraging extent. Poggenberg induiged in to a discouraging extent. Foggeneers won in the seventy-fifth inning, making an average of 245-75. Foggenberg made the best run of the tournament in the forty-second inning, piling up forty-five points before he sat down. Poggenberg played 259 points to 259 for Barnard. The score was

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Highest run, 23. Average, 3, 20–14.

Keeney and Stark will play to-night.

THE NEW DORMITORY AT PRINCETON A GIFT FROM ONE OF THE TRUSTEES OF

THE UNIVERSITY. Princeton, N. J., Feb. 10.-The spring term of the University began to-day. The occasion was cele brated by the opening of Blair Hall, the magnificent new dormitory which was begun at the time of Princeton's sesquicentennial anniversary in 1896. The building cost \$150,000, the sum being contributed by John I. Blair, of Blairstown, N. J., one of the trustees of the University. The rents of the dormitory will yield the University an income of about \$7.000 a year, it being possible to accommodate over a hundred students. At the opening to-day every room was either already filled or engaged.

This building was greatly needed at Princeton, especially since the tearing down of East College last year to provide for the enlargement of the Chancellor Green Library. The dormitory is sit-uated on the east side of the campus, near the Pennsylvania Railroad station. Built after the Gothic style of architecture, only two stories high, and stretching for 237 feet along the edge of the campus, Blair Hall presents the appearance of an English university dormitory. The feature of the building is the tower, a massive structure rising in the centre of the building above the archway used as an entrance to the campus from the railroad as an entrance to the campus that it road station. The tower is decorated with elaborately carved panels and figures, and the general appearance is an exceedingly picturesque one. The interior of the building is fitted up with every modern convenience, making it altogether the handsomest dormitory on the campus.

AMERICAN GOODS IN VENEZUELA.

THE MANUFACTURERS' ASSOCIATION TO OPEN A SAMPLE WAREHOUSE IN CARACAS ON MARCH 26.

Philadelphia, Feb. 10.-The National Association of Manufacturers has fixed Saturday, March 26, as the date for opening the sample warehouse which the date for opening the sample wareholde which the association has established in Caracas, Venezuela. A number of manufacturers from this city, New-York, Boston and Baltimore have signified their intention of attending the ceremonies. The party will sail from New-York on the Red D Line steamer Venezuela on March 17.

YACHTING NOTES OF INTEREST.

The Boston designer, B. B. Crowninshield, has received an order from Henry W. Harris, the owner of the racing schooner Quissetta, for a new design of twenty-one-foot knockabout. The boat is to be 18 feet 5 inches on the water-line, 23 feet over all, with a draught of 3 feet 5 inches. She will be chiefly salled in the regattas of the Beverley Yacht Club. This craft will not be able to compete in the regular races of the Scawanhaka one-pete in the regular races of the Scawanhaka one-design knockabouts, now protected from outsiders by recent legislation of the Yacht Racing Associa-tion of Long Island Sound, but if the design fulfils its promises Mr. Harris will be able to make it warm for some of them in special match races.

In Howard Gould's new steam yacht, the Niagara, which will be launched at the Wilmington yards of Harlan & Hollingsworth in April next, there are some novel features. One of these is a lounging deck for the crew, which will number fifty men. There will be a space about forty feet long, and as wide as the vessel, situated on the after part of the main deck, where those off duty can congregate. This spacious and well-lighted compariment will be an unusual acquisition for a yacht's crew, and Mr. Gould is one of the few who have considered the comfort of a crew further than to provide them with a seat on the soft side of an anchor's fluke. Other features in this craft will be a room for a ship's doctor, a photograph-room, a brushing-room, a butler's pantry and separate galleys for owner and crew. The library and dining-room will be on the main deck. On a lower deck will be the hospital-room, trunkroom and general storeroom, laundry and quarters for servants. The owner's two apartments and bathroom are on the starboard side, and just opposite in sidered the comfort of a crew further than to pro-

In spite of the remarks of "The Yachtsman" and one other English paper, the prospects in regard to bringing about identical international measure-ment of yachts are not as blue as suggested. The delegate of the North American Yacht Racing Union thinks that his consultation with the Yacht Union thinks that his consultation with the Yacht Racing Association of England has been as satisfactory as could be expected. Æmilius Jarvis has written to New-York as to this, but the facts cannot be given at present, nor will they be announced until the delegate delivers them in person at the meeting of the union called by F. Bowne Jones, secretary of the North American Union, for Saturday evening next at the Imperial Hotel.

Stamford Yacht Club for the year 1898; Commodore, Howard C. Smith; vice-commodore, F. M. Hoyt; treasurer, Charles H. Leeds; secretary, A. Leland urer, Franklin Wardwell; chaplain, the Rev. Dr. R. P. H. Vail. Directors-Henry H. McHarg, Schuyler Merritt, A. C. Hall, Edward C. Hoyt, Malcolm R. Pitt, James D. Smith, E. E. Bruggerhof, Stewart W. Smith, Alfred L. Pitt and Frederick W. Lockwood. Nominating Committee-A. H. Smith, H. P. Bartlett, Walter M. Smith, George H. Hoyt and Walter D. Daskam.

RIDDING FAREWELL TO MGR. SCHROEDER. Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 10.-There was a remarkable gathering at the Josepheum, the Papal institution in this city, yesterday. Forty-five German Catholic priests from all parts of the United States met to bid farewell to Monsignor Joseph Schroeder, who starts to-morrow to accept a professorship in the University at Münster, Westphalia, tendered by Emperor William, and to protest against the removal of Monsigner Schroeder from the chair of dogmatic theology in the Catholic University at Washington, D. C. The Rev. A. J. Thiel, of Chicago, on behalf of the two thousand priests represented, presented Monsignor Schroeder with a purse of \$4,000. Monsigner Schroeder replied with much feeling, accepting the gift. In discussing his removal from the chair of dogmatic theology in the removal from the chair of dogmatic theology in the Catholic University, he stated the trustees had accused him of the very thing of which they were guilty. They had charged him with teaching doctrines that were un-tatholic, and his dismissal had shown that they were teaching many things which the people of the Church no longer accepted.

In the afternoon a far-well banquet was held at the Southern Hotel. Toasts were responded to by Monsignor Jessing, the Rev. George Glabh, of Washington, D. C.; the Rev. John Koeper, of Williamsport, Penn., and Father Rhiener, of Milwaukee.

ATLANTIC STATES PACKERS' ELECTION. Buffalo, Feb. 10.-The Atlantic States Packers'

home, No. 553 Fifth-ave. He was born in this city in 1520. He was for a number of years a large builder, having erected the Down Town Club, the Central Trust Company Building, the block in which he lived and the Church of the Heavenly

GUILTY OF LEZE-MAJESTY

HARD FATE IN STORE FOR SOME OF LAVINIA'S SUBJECTS.

MUTTERINGS ABOUT THE PALACES OF ST. CLOUD AND WALDORF ASTORIA THAT DO NOT SAVOR OF THAT RESPECT DUE A QUEEN SIR

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While Lavinia I. Queen of the Holland Dames of the New-Netherlands, slumbered peacefully in her reyal chamber in the royal palace of St. Cloudmmonly known in Dutch as "Sankloo"-yesterday morning, there were most flagrant cases of y morning, there were most flagrant cases of e-majesty at various places within the royal sylnees. Especially within the glided halls of palace Waldorf-Astoria, where Lavinia went to be crowned, mutterings were heard that did not savor of the reverence such a mighty queen should command. Not courtiers, nor equerries, nor ladies in waiting, nor any of the gilded train that formed a waiting, nor any of the gilded train that formed a part of Queen Lavinia's migratory court were they who uttered these remarks reflecting upon the new queen that has arisen, but humble waiters, porters and clerks, who condemned in good, round English the Dutch affectation of the Queen. Doubtless their voices will be stilled and their tongues hushed with fear when Queen Lavinia hears their rank insubordination. But they had full swing yesterday.

Even among the Dames were heard mumblings of treason. Miss Nellie Bingham Van Slin-gerland, of Washington, regent for the State of Maryland and the District of Columbia, was one of those who cast slurs at the power of the throne, and ventured to call Her Gracious Majesty a pretender, or pretendress, as you like. Miss Van Slingerland is opposed to queens, and at first objected to this creation of a monarchy, but after some thought decided to stretch out her hand and help to elevate Queen Lavinia to the throne. "I am opposed to the word queen," said Miss Van Slingerland vesterday in a resigned voice. guess I shall have to put up with it. It is un American and unpatriotic. There was a movement on foot to make me head of the National Society, but I refused to run if the term 'queen' was to be used. Regent is a better name, I think. For the same reason I refused to have my full court train carried by two pages. Mrs. Frank Stewart Os-born, the regent of Illinois, told me that I was doing wrong to act in this way, and that it was treason. Well, I didn't care. You may have noficed that I had my pages walk by my side. I didn't care if it was a divergence from historical

HER DIGNITY SADLY TAXED. It took until late yesterday morning to complete the apotheosis of Lavinia, and when she left the Astoria to return to her own royal castle, her face was wreathed in beaming smiles. She bore her honors well, however, and by 3 o'clock she had retired to dream of her glory. A solemn hush hang retired to dream of her giory. A solemn hush hung over the battlements and turrets of the frowning castle "Sankloo," and nothing disturbed the royal slumbers except, perhaps, a belated subject, who, then with schnapps and enthusiasm, wandered past the royal castle howling at the top of his voice, "My Girl's a High Born Lady," or, perhaps, "There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tomight."

voice, "My Girl's a High Born Laby."
"There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight."
Save for these desultory noises no sound penetrated the royal chamber, and it was late before the sun of royalty shone upon the court.
While the Queen still slumbered, down at the Waldorf-Astoria a corps of halboys, scrub women and walters were busy cleaning up the "wreckage left after the royal function. There was a motiey grouping in this force. There were Frenchmen, Italians, Dutch, Americans, Swiss and others. They babbled about the late coronation. The natives of lands where royalty still exists shrugged their shoulders and talked contemptuously about this limitation outfit. The American looked upon it as a huge loke, and laughed at the ludicrous side of the affair. The only one who took it seriously was the proprietor of the hotel, George C. Bodt. It was a profitable financial transaction for him. He was not bilinded by the splendor of royalty, nor dazed by the marvellous evolutions of the court, nor bewildered by the buzzing in the head of the Queen. He viewed it as a matter of dollars and cents, and thereby proved he is no true courtler. He is just at present a Sir Knight by brevet, but he does not seem to be overwhelmed with the fact.

A SAD TALE TO TELL.

And what of Sir William the Strong? Alas! There is a sad tale to tell. The merriest of the revellers, the handsomest of the courtiers, the Queen's favorite! All these was he at the corona tion. When the roll was called yesterday morning tion. When the roll was called yesterday morning a solemn-voiced retainer said sady "Dead on the field of honor." In truth, the joy of the evening was too much for this bluff old soldier. Like Long-fellow's angels in the poem of "Sandalphon"—the angels of fire who breathe but one song and expire with the song's trresistible stress"—he gave way to one great, tumulitous pean of exultation that so far exhausted him that he was not able to respond to the summons yesterday. It is thought that he will be around within a day or so.

Up at the Democratic Club, King Croker, who rules by fear and whose rule is despotic, listened yesterday to reports of the female pretender within his kingdom. With the aid of such astute legal minds as John Whalen and Asa Bird Gardiner, he was busy yesterday studying how far the Salic law was applicable in this case. He did not seem disturbed by this invasion of his kingdom.

minds as John Whalen and Asa Bird Gardiner, he was busy yesterday studying how far the Salic law was applicable in this case. He did not seem disturbed by this invasion of his kingdom. He chuckled, and rumor has it that he sald gleefully to his retainers: "They can't vote and they can't deliver a vote. They can pay taxes and have their balls if they pay a license, but there isn't any chance of their raising an opposition party to mine. This thing of their having a toy kingdom is a joke. Mine is the only real thing, and this is headquarters, and that ends it."

Chauncey M. Depew, who has been familiar with royaliy for many years, admitted yesterday with a perplexed look that he had not the entree of this court. He and the Prince of Wales are chums; the Queen of England regards him highly, and various potentiates and members of royal families are proud of his friendship. "You see," he said apologetically, "this court is of such recent establishment, and its contour so perplexing, that it will take some time to get acquainted with its various phases. The tendency of things nowadays is toward consolidation and centralization. You see it in all walks of life. You see railroads consolidating; hanks consolidating; business interests being centralized. I suppose following along this line. Queen Lavinia has deemed it prudent to centralize all power in herself. It is a product of the times." "So Lavinia has been crowned at last, has she" said dob E. Hedges, when the subject of Her Majesty was broached. "Well. I for one, am truly thankful. There are so many slips betwixt the cup and the lip, or, rather, the crown and the pate, that I was fearful it might not come off; but it's a real comfort to know Lavinia's crowned at last, has 1 is a serious thing for her to have been running about without one. On the question of its effect on the city, State and Nation, I do not care ful reflection. I can only relievate the great and permeating satisfaction it gives me to know that Lavinia is properly and effectively crowned. It is to

THE FIFTY-THREE'S BOOKS STILL OPEN.

FULL RETURNS FROM THE ENROLMENT NOT YES RECEIVED-ORGANIZING IN THE AS-SEMBLY DISTRICTS.

Last evening was the last regular evening for the enrolment of Republicans in the county of Nex-York under the constitution adopted by the Combe kept open for a few days to permit the addition of the names of Republicans who have not been headquarters of the Committee of Fifty-three, in the St. James Building, last evening it was said that no returns of the enrolment would be received until to-day, but it was not expected that the total enrolment would reach ten thousand.

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Within ten days associations of the newly enrolled Republicans will be formed in the thirty-five Assembly districts of New-York County. Each association will have a chairman, two vice-chairmen, a secretary and a treasurer. Within thirty days from to-day the primaries will be held to elect delegates to the General Committee of the new Republican organization, and when that committee is organized the work of the Committee of Fifty-three will have been completed.

GOOD ROADS PROFITABLE. From The Easton (Penn.) Free Press.

Association elected the following officers this morning: President, A. A. Brakeley, of New-Jersey; secretary and treasurer, H. P. Cannon, of Delaware, and a vice-president from each State represented.

F. M. C. A. STATE CONVENTION,
Rochester, Feb. 10.—The blennial State convention of the Young Men's Christian Association will be held in this city, February 18-20. Some prominent speakers are expected to deliver addresses. Among them will be Dr. Myers, of London. The sessions will be held in the Central Presbyterian Church.

WILLIAM WINTERTON OWENS DEAD.
William Winterton Owens died yesterday from pneumonia, after an illness of three weeks, at his home, No. 553 Fifth-ave. He was born in this city. In 1800, He was for a support of the present of the point of the point of the sample of the sample of the marketing of their produce. Though little recognized, this is a fact most patent to the careful observer, and most pointedly and truly expressed in Mr. Budd's report. When this fact penetrates the minds of farmers more generally, they will begin to realize that money and labor expended on road improvement will save money for them in reducing the actual good roads are luxuries, mere fancy frills, and to regard well-made highways as among the neces sitles.

PICTURES ON BOOT SOLES. From Invention.

The Wanamaker Store

There is ready for public inspection this morning, a most elaborate showing of original models in Spring and Summer Costumes, Evening Gowns and Reception and Dinner Dresses; together with many wholly new fancies and effects in Tailor-made Gowns, Riding Habits, and Top Coats, the productions of our own designing and dressmaking staff.

The whole is a display of much magnificence and unusual importance. It is intended as a direct challenge for comparison with the highest class

of European productions. Dressmaking Parlors, Fifth Floor, Tenth street.

Lace Curtains, Screens, and Other Things



THREE-FOLD SCREENS-With beautiful silkolines

and other printed stuffs. \$3, now \$1.50 \$3.50, now \$1.75 \$4.75, now \$2.87 \$5, now \$2.50 \$4.25, now \$2 \$6.50; now \$3.25 These filled with cretonnes and denims— \$8.25, now \$4.25 \$9, now \$4.50 \$10, now \$5

Now for corner-fixing and window drapery, and the installation of cosy nooks and resting places. The home beautifiers will hurry for these decorative helps as soon as they learn that

Many Are at Half Prices.

and others a third less than yes. terday's little-enough figures.

RENAISSANCE LACE CURTAINS \$7,50, from \$10 \$12, from \$15 \$14, from \$21 \$16, from \$24 \$22.50, from \$32.50 \$24, from \$35 \$25, from \$40 \$27, from \$40 \$30, from \$45 ANTIQUE AND ARABIAN LACE CURTAINS \$5, from \$12

\$8, from \$13.50 \$9, from \$13. BOX WINDOW SEATS-Covered with denims and

TABOURETTES—Covered with various pretty stuffs.

They fit in anywhere, and are never anything but ornamental. \$2.25, now \$1.50 \$2.75, now \$1.75

\$4, now \$2.50 \$5, now \$8.50 \$7.50, now \$4.50 \$3, now \$2 BOX TABOURETTES, at half— \$2.75, now \$1.87 \$5, now \$2.50

Toilet Tables in the Sale

To-morrow's especial feature in the February Sale of Chamber Furniture will be the quick disappearance of fifty-eight Toilet Tables. It is another sample line, - and of course, as the manufacturer used them as practical demonstrations of his superiority,-they are somewhat better than extra-well finished and put together. No two are alike, and they run the whole gamut of cabinet maker's woods. -rosewood, mahogany, curly birch, bird's-eye maple, oak, and white enamel.

Regular prices, one-half more than figures given below. At \$14—Or curly birch, fancy top \$3x18, one large drawer, swell front, oval French bevel plate mirror 16x24, French legs.

At \$17—Of solid mahogany, fancy top 36x20, ser-

At \$10—White enameled, top 29x19, one large drawer, serpentine front, pattern French bevel plate mirror 16x24 At \$11-Of curly birch, fancy top 86x18, swell ends, pattern French bevel plate mirror 18x24, carved

front, French legs.

At \$13—Of English oak, fancy top 88x18, one large

drawer, swell front and swell ends, pattern French bevel plate mirror 22x24, French legs. At \$15—Of solid mahogany, fancy top 36x18, swell front, two drawers, pattern French bevel plate mirror 16x26, twisted legs and cast brass trimmings.

Plates, and Some WE have still a number of the magnificent Other China. French Fancy Plates, with portrait centers,-fifteen-dollar-apiece

they're finding ready appreciation. Some Haviland Bread and Butter Plates, also, -very beautiful goods, as you know already by knowing that they're Haviland. Most of them are the dollar-and-a-half kind.

Take your choice at Seventy-five Cents each.

At the same price, and about equal value, are some elaborately decorated Cake Plates. novelties, and the candy people are rich in The second shipment of Haviland Dinner

about them. 100-piece Sets, gold trimmed handles, \$20; regularly 100-piece Sets, with gold edges and handles, \$25;

113-piece Sets, all-gold handles, \$27.50; regularly 118-piece Sets, gold edges and handles, \$85; regularly \$50.

A good one for 75c .- woo! Knit face and cotton back, with Petticoats. two rows of colors across bottom. Others, all wool, in many solid colplates, with a new price on them of Five ors, various borders, at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.75. Dollars. But you must come quickly,— If one or two more are needed, don't delay.

pentine front, one large drawer, pattern French bevel plate mirror 18x26, French legs.

At \$20-Of bird's eye maple, top 34x18, serpenting

front, two drawers, fancy shaped French bevel plate mirror 20x34, carved top, French legs.

At \$21-Of quarter-sawed oak, top 37x18, three drawers, fancy shaped French bevel plate mirror 20x32, French legs.

PEOPLE are finding out about Candy our candies. The sales go rolling Matters. up, snow-ball fashion, -bigger every week and with a ratio of increase constantly growing.

Of course. Better candy cannot be made. Very few candies are made as well. And there are always plenty of Sets has reached us;—Here are some facts make packing and appearance so important

a feature. The new chocolate-covered marsh-mallows are getting to be wonderfully popular. Ours cost 20c. a pound, only. If you can get them better we won't ask you to buy ours:-but you cannot. There's nothing better than best.

JOHN WANAMAKER

Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co., Broadway, 4th ave., 9th and 10th sts.

York Yacht Club took place last night, and the business transacted was important. It is now definitely settled that the rurviving members of the Goelet family will not continue the annual Goelet Cups. Two offers were made, however, by club members to provide similar cups for competition each year. One of these was from John Jacob Astor and the other from W. Gould Brokaw, the owner of the Amorita.

After the official statement that the club members now numbered 1,273, it was shown that the fleet had made a gain of six vessels over that of last year, and now numbered 376, of which there were seventy-five schooners, ninety-five sloops, eight naphthas and eleven launches.

Walter Morris read a report regarding the

library. The resolution passed in regard to the death of Captain Ogden Goelet is to be engrossed and sent to members of his family-one copy being

Correspondence between Mr. De Witt, the attor-ney for the Goelet estate, in regard to Mrs. Ogden Goelet's continuing the cups as before was read. Vice-Commodore Ledyard stated that he had recently seen Mr. De Witt and that it was now definitely settled that no further cups would be put up by the surviving members of the family.

cups of the same values as heretofore, to be raced for each year. This letter was dated January 24, 1898. and was supplemented by another dated January 29, mentioning the difficulty that had arisen about the Goelet cups, and saying that the same conditions might be brought about by his own death. He therefore says: "To avoid this, I shall be glad to continue the cups during my life and to make prorision for the races in my will."

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A letter from W. Golden broads as a considered to put up annually cups of \$1,000 for schooners and \$200 for single-masted vessels, being the same values as those of the cups which were given by the late Mr. Goelet, also mentioning the reservations the giver desired. This letter was also dated January 24, but, as Mr. Astor's letter was received first by the club, the question of priority arose, and Mr. Brokaw then withdrew his offer. The meeting gave hearty cheers for Mr. Brokaw for his very generous and sportsmanifice offer. Members were much pleased at Mr. Astor's fore-thought in offering to make perpetuities of the offered Goelet cup, which was not won last year owing to a failure in the number of competitors, will be given next summer by Mrs. Ogden Goelet, is not yet decided. Apparently it is to be left in abeyance at present for the consideration of Mrs. Goelet. The date for the spring regatta is fixed for June 16 next. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: offered to put up annually cups of \$1,000 for schoon-

J. J. ASTOR'S OFFER ACCEPTED.

Oliver Iselin, Lewis Cass Ledyard, W. Butler Duncan, jr., and James A. Wright.
House Committee—Tarrant Futnam, C. L. F.
Robinson and Frank M. Cronise.
Library Committee—Fordham Morris, Arthur H.
Clark and Theodore C. Zerga.
Committee on Club Stations—William H. Thomas,
Frederick H. Renedict, F. Aug. Schermerborn,
L. Vaughn Clark, Tarrant Putnam, Frederick P.
Sands, Harrison B. Moore, John P. Duncan, Amil
L. Barber and Edward R. Ladew.

PNEUMATIC TUBE COMPANY CHARTER. Charleston, W. Va., Feb. 19 - The Secretary of the Batcheller Pneumatic Company, of Washington, D. C., with a capital of \$1,000,000. The company is organized to construct and operate pneumatic tubes for the transmission of mail matter. The incorporators are Matthew C. Butler, James H. G. Martin and Myer H. Parker, of Washington; Epps Hunton, of Warrenton, Va.; Birney C. Batcheler, of Philadelphia; John C. Calhoun and Fred S. Pearson, of New-York.

IRRIGATION IN INDIA.

From Engineering.

The area under irrigation in 1833-26, excluding Bengal, was as follows: By canals, 10,333,264 acres; by tanks, 5,097,397 acres; by wells, 9,25,101 acres; by tanks, 5,097,397 acres; by wells, 9,25,101 acres; by other means, 1,199,121 acres. The total area irrigated was, accordingly, 25,737,083 acres; other cereals and pulse, 16,40,145 acres; miscellaneous food crops, 1,820,667 acres; other crops, 4,309,383 acres. The difference between the area irrigated and the areas devoted to crops is due to the inclusion twice of the area irrigated at both harvests.

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The figures which we have given show that irrigation is practically self-supporting in India, and even if a few millions more have to be horrowed to complete the Anglo-Indian irrigation system, they can be raised with ease. The Anglo-indian Government has pursued a policy of praise worthy moderation in the rents which is had drawn from the cultivators of the public lands under its control. In stipulating only for moderate rents, the Anglo-Indian authorities had a twofold object in view: First, they desired to make themselves popular with the people of India; and, secondly, they wished to render Indian production as cheap and casy as possible. This is, no doubt, all very well so far as it goes, but it is not enough. In a naturalized y country, such as India undoubtedly is, you must assist Nature by trigation; if you do not do so, Nature through her caprices, will land you every now and then in serious trouble.

Still, there can be no doubt that what has been already achieved in the matter of irrigation in India has been of the greatest benefit to that dependency. If it has not altogether prevented periodical famines, it has greatly mitigated their horrors; and in favorable years India has now become a grain-exporting country. The diffusion of a large measure of ease and comfort among the natives has als

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Commodore—Lewis Cass Ledyard.
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Recretary—J. V. S. Oddie.
Treasurer—F. W. J. Hurst.
Measurer—John Hyslop.
Fleet Surgeon—Dr. Morris J. Asch.
Regatta Committee—S. Nicholson Kane. Chester
Griswold and Irving Grinnell.
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Regamittee on Admissions—Edward M. Brown. C.